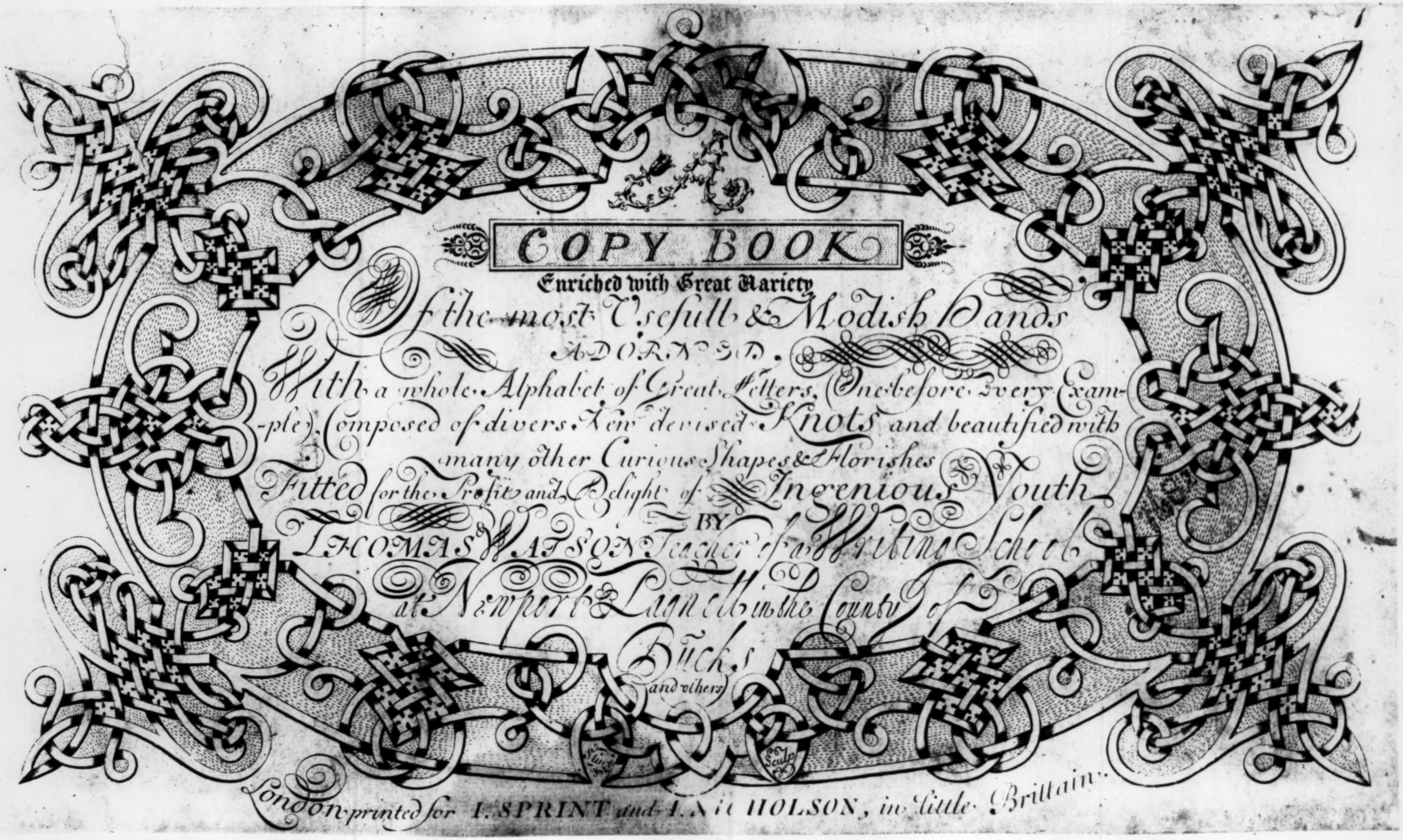

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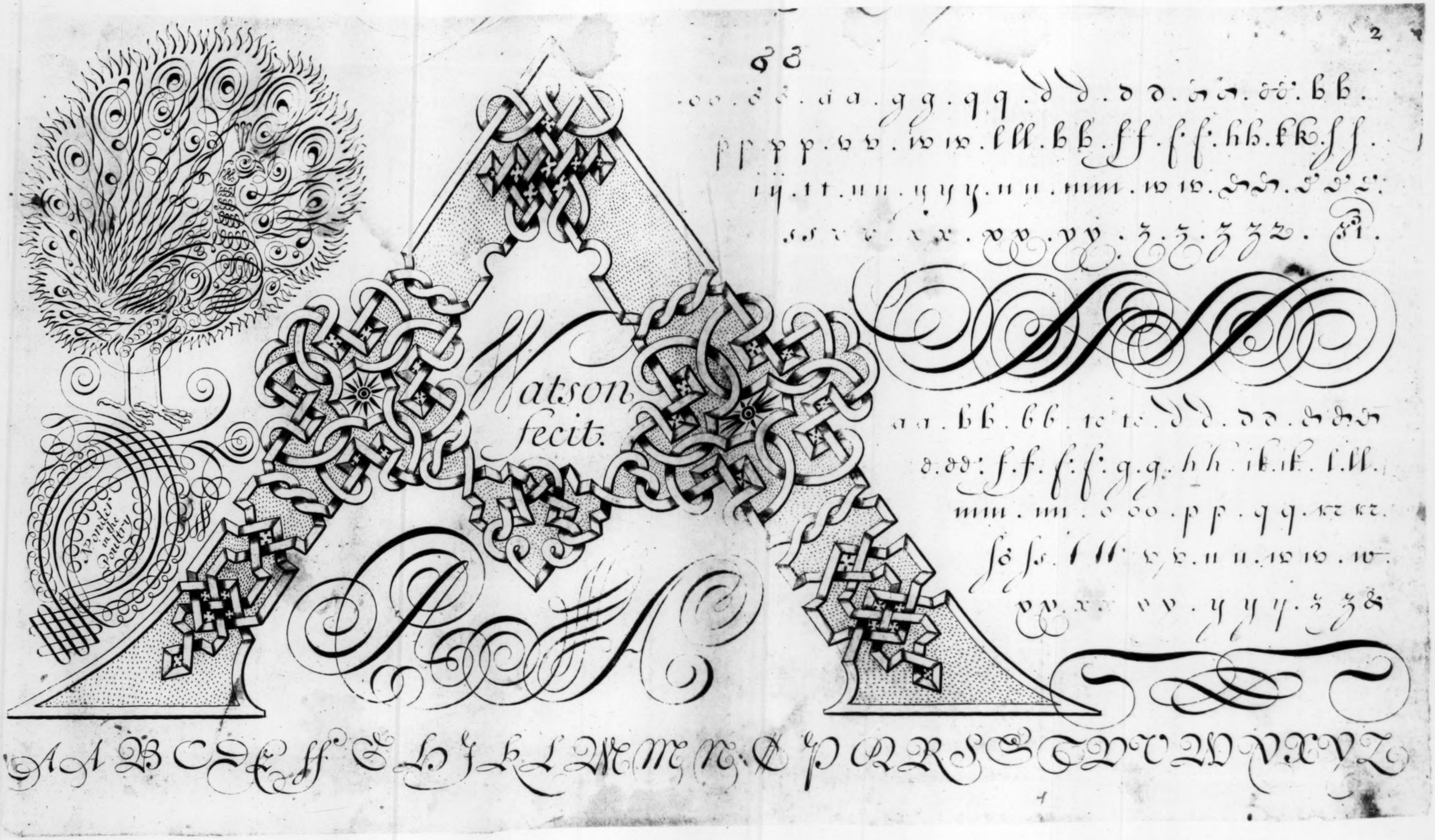
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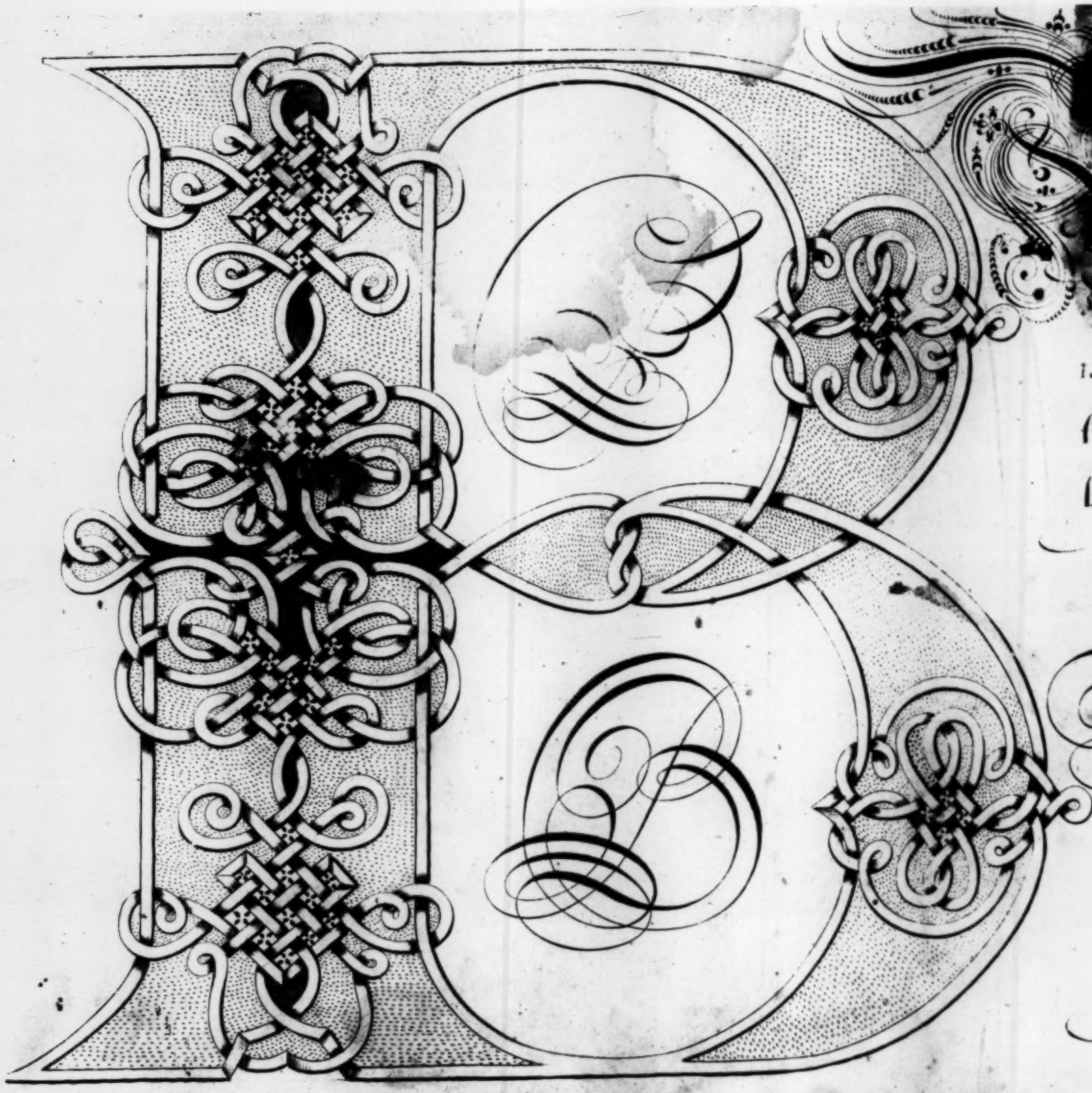

Begin not any thing [illegible] good Advisement and mature Con[illegible]ation but when thou hast once begun be carefull speedily to dispatch it; and remember that small faults if not timely prevented in ye beginning will prove great errors in the end

Bee it knowne unto all men by these presents that I Daniel Mainwaring of Limmington in the County of Somerseton Yeoman am holden and firmly bound unto Nathaniel Hammond Citizen and Ironmonger of London in ye Sume of One Thousand Six hundred ninety four pounds

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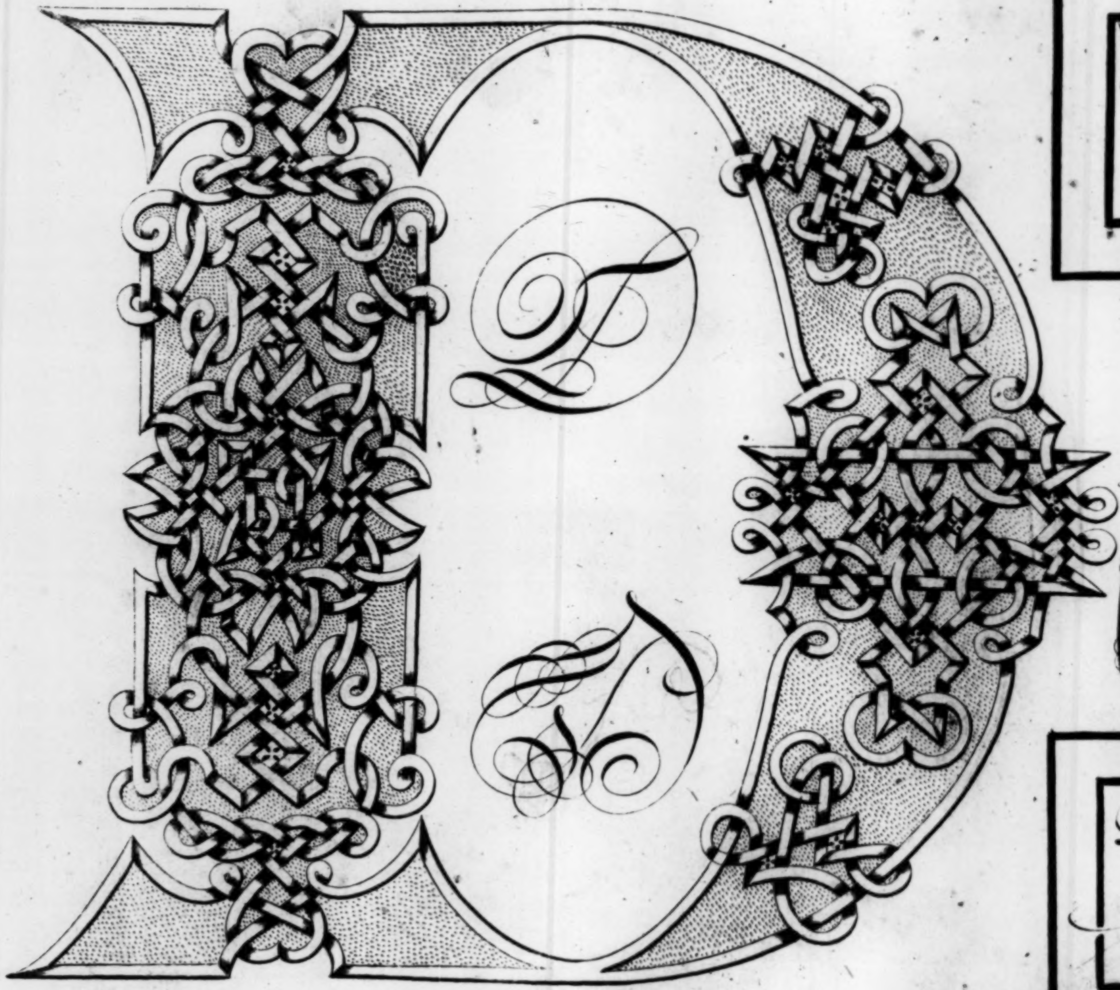
Converse only with such Persons by whome you may best accomplish your Selfe for Vertue never returnes with so rich a Cargo as when it sets saild from such Continents; Company being like severall Climates which oftentimes changes young Travellers complexions

Conſider

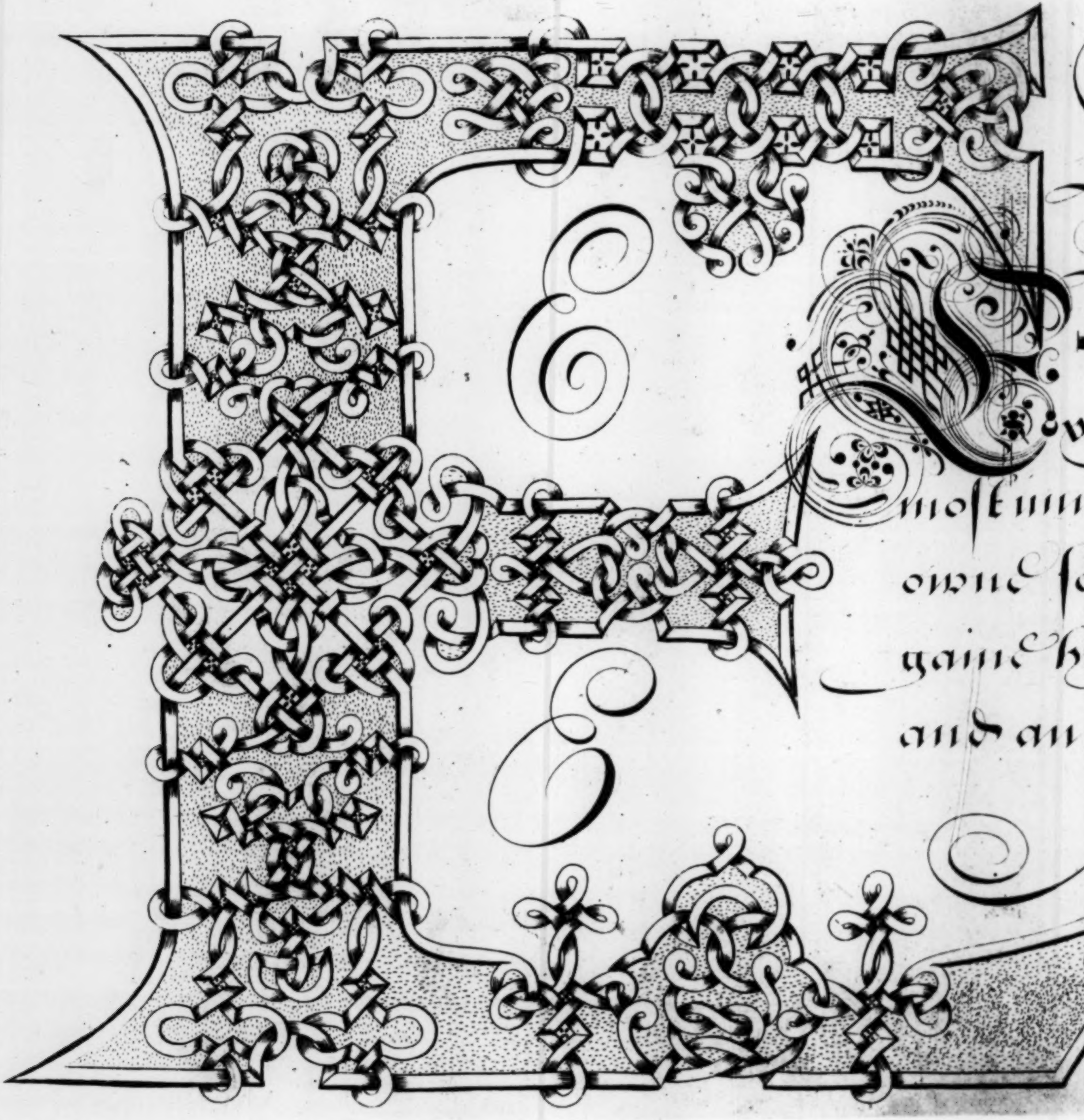
the ſhortneſs of Life; and the certainty of judgment; the great reward of the good, and ſevere punishment of the wicked: therefore make even with Heaven by repentance at the end of every day and so you shall have but one day to repent of before yo: death



Deus eſt ſplendor nunquam deſitiens Vita indefeſſa non moriens, fons ſemper ſtaturiens ſeminale vita, ſeminarium ſapientia, Principale Principium, initiale Bonitatis initium.

Dissimulation is an evill humour of the Mind contrary to all honestie and humanitie it is a countenance evermore disagreeing from the imagination of ye heart and a most notorious lyer in whatsoever it propoundeth.

Diligence alone is a commendable qualification, and Industry a substantiall durable fortune: Idlenesse is the spawne of Lust, and waste a man as insensibly as Diligence doth improve him.



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Externall ffortunes may befall moſt unworthy Perſons but a mans owne ſolid worth is that which will gaine him true titles of Honour and an everlaſting ffame.

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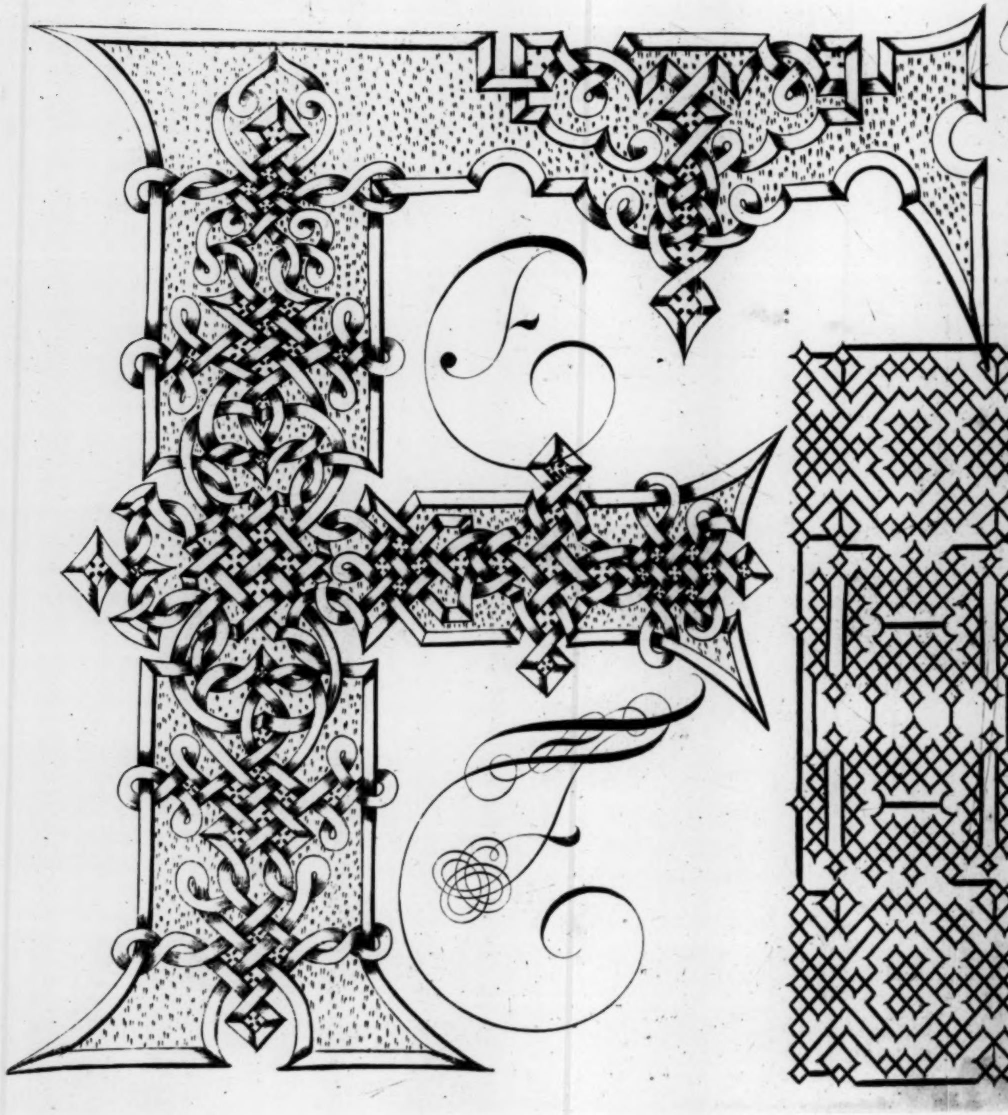

Friendſhip is a ſacred thing and deſerves our deareſt acknowledgments: a ffriend is a great comfort in ſolitude; and a moſt excellent Aſſiſtant in buiſineſs.

Favorinus interrogatus qua ratione potiſſimum quis aſſequi poſſet ut apud homines honeſtam haberet ffamam: Si loquatur inquit quæ ſunt Optima et ſaciat quæ ſunt honeſtiſſima Quid enim poterat brevius ac rectius ex quid abſolutius ſi quidem ſutis parta gloria.

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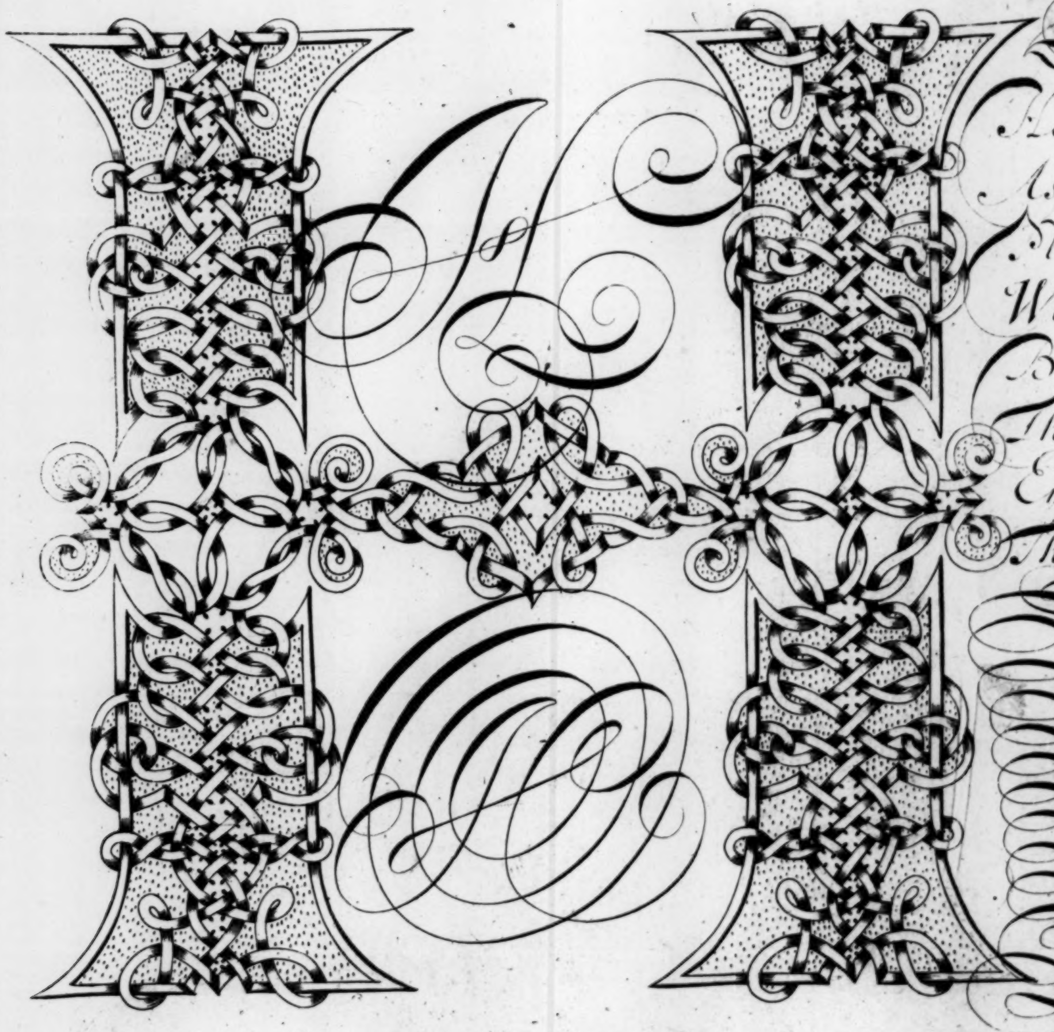
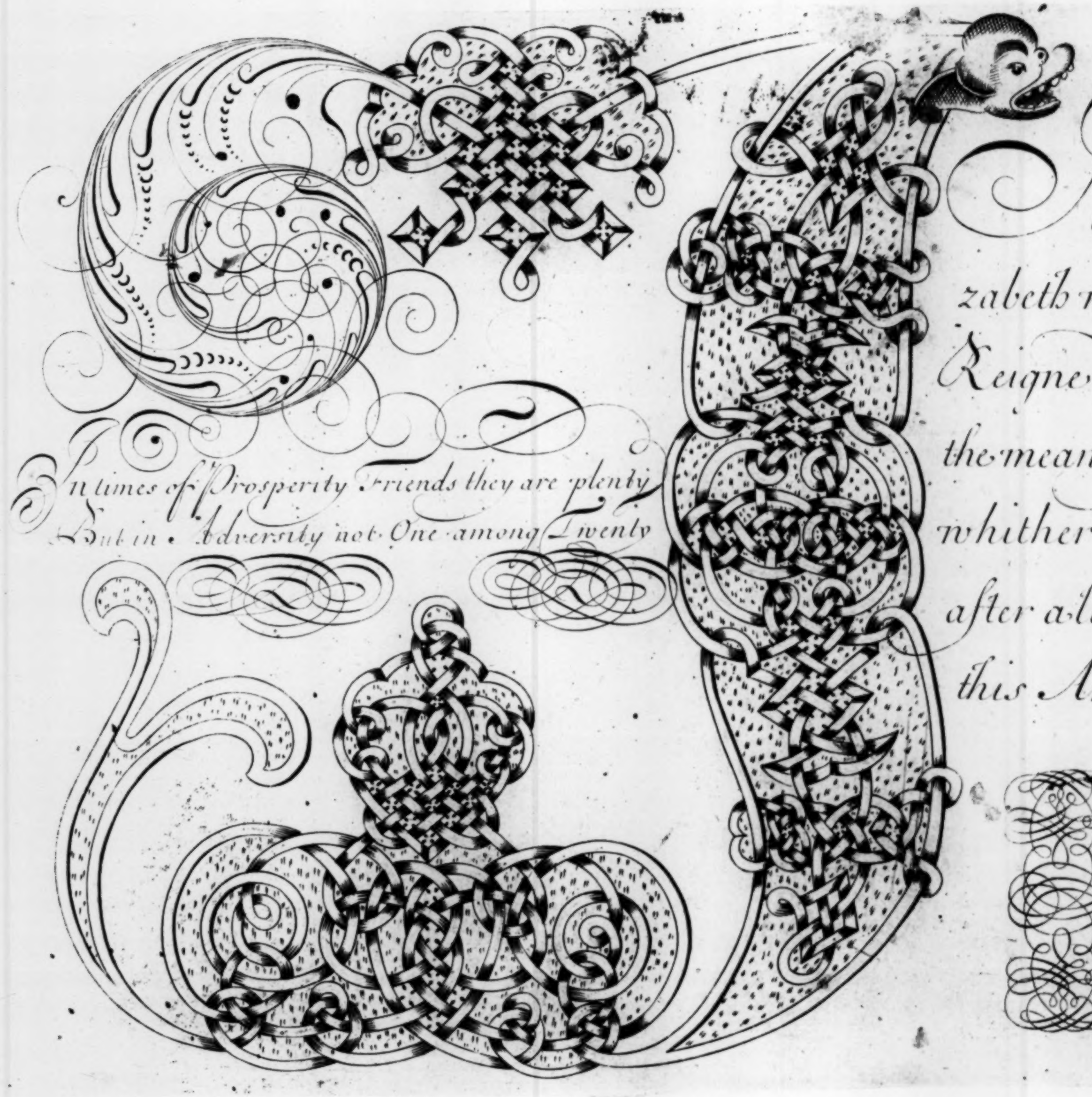
God makes the Pen his Herauld to proclaime
The ſplendid Glories of his Workes and Fame.
Heavens ſacred Oracles the life of Mens
Immortall Souls by the conserve of Pens
Haue bin from old Times infancy kept pure
And shall to round Eternity Endure.



Honours may leave their Owners Riches may
Assume Swift wings and quickly fly away
Pleasure like Lightning but Salutes our Eyes
With one bright Flash and then falls Sick & dyes
But Learning and the Knowledge of rare Arts
That Man the moſt enjoyes that most imparts
Endeavour therefore that your Breaſt & Brain
The best of Learnings Treasures may retain

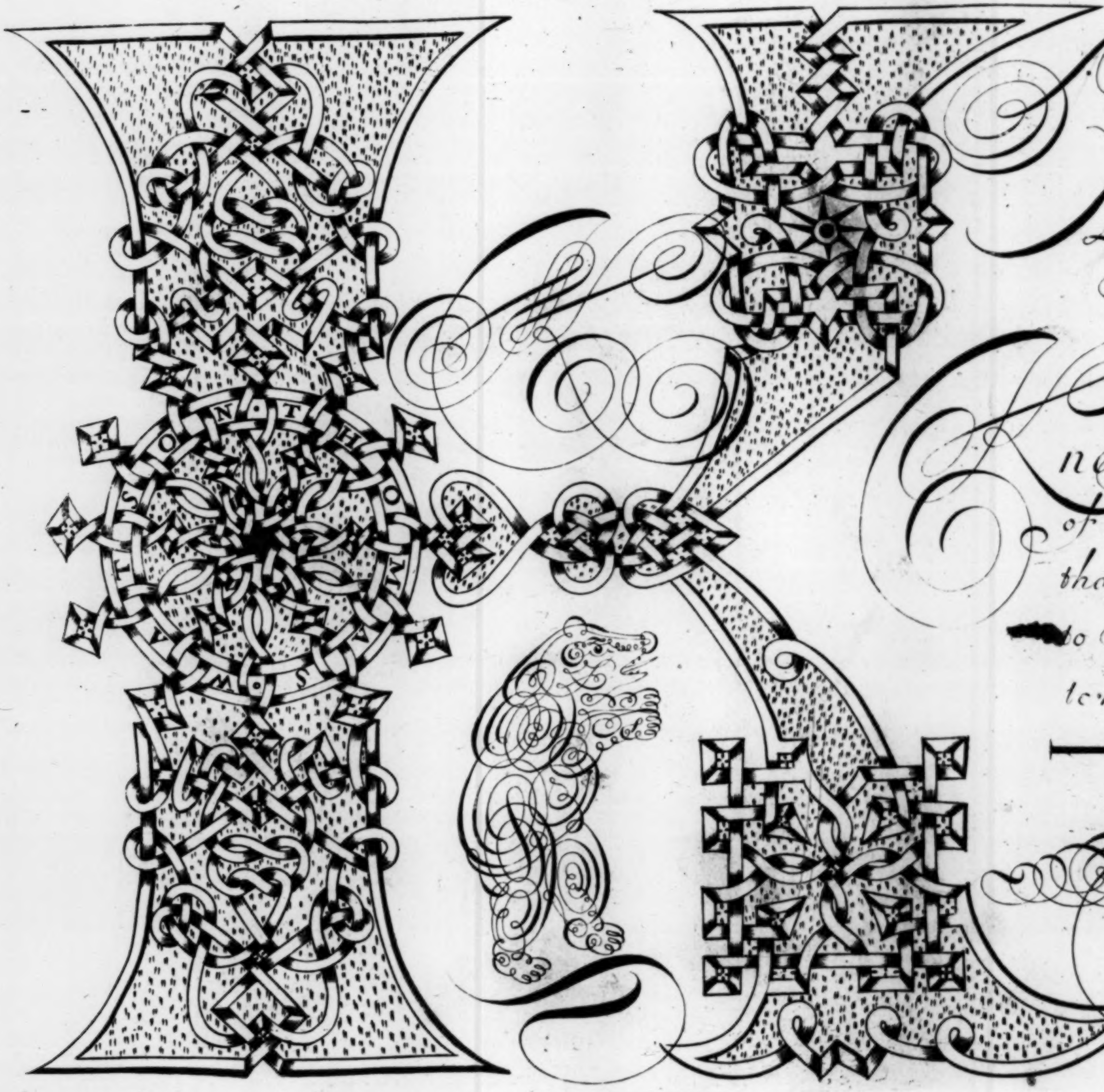
Humilitie is a voluntary inclination of the Mind grounded upon a perfect Knowledge of our own Condition A vertue by which a Man in the moſt true consideration of his inward Qualities maketh leaſt Account of himſelf



In times of Prosperity Friends they are plenty
But in Adversity not One among Twenty

It is a memorable passage of Queen Elizabeth whome Bishop Gardiner in her Sisters Reigne designed to put to death being asked the meaning of these words This is my Body whither She thought that was Christ's body or no after a little pauze is reported to haue returned this Answer

Christ was the Word that spake it
He tooke the Bread and brake it
And what the Word did make it
That I beleiue and take it



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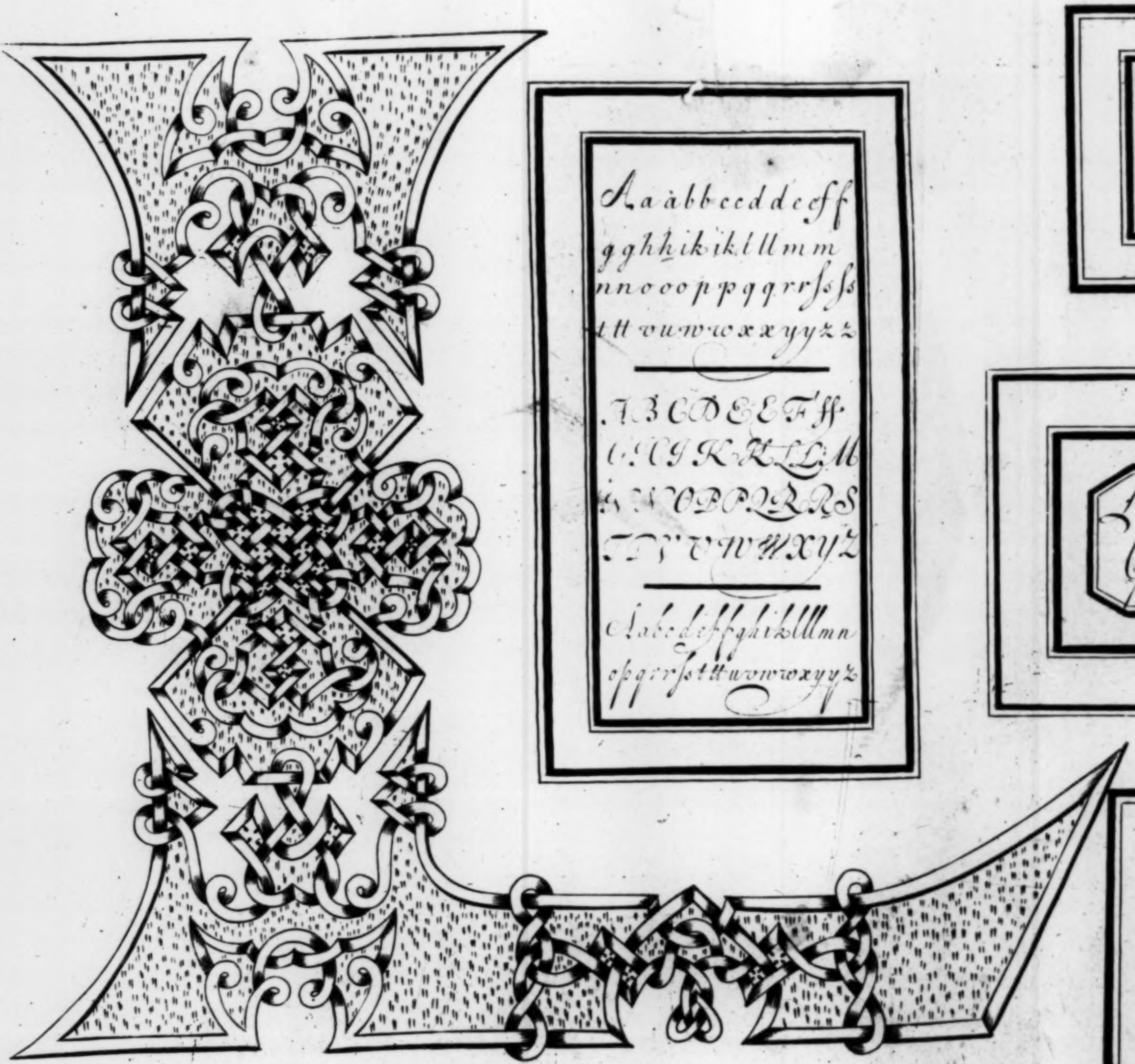
Knowledge and Learning was eſteemed of so much vallue by Alexander the great that he declared himselfe to be more indebted to Aristotle for giveing him Learning then to his Father Phillip for his Life. T D.

Knowledge imploy'd improves the ingenious mind
And Learnings beames illuminate the blind



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Let it be your Ambition to be wise and your
Wisdome to be good Reject Opinion and You are
like a Ship rideing at Anchor in a safe Harbour

Learning is the temperance of Youth and the
Comfort of old Age standing for wealth to Men in
poverty and Serving for an Ornament to Riches

Luxuria, est immoderata Carnis Petulantia
dulce Venenum, importuna Lues perniciosa po
tio quæ humanum Corpus debilitat

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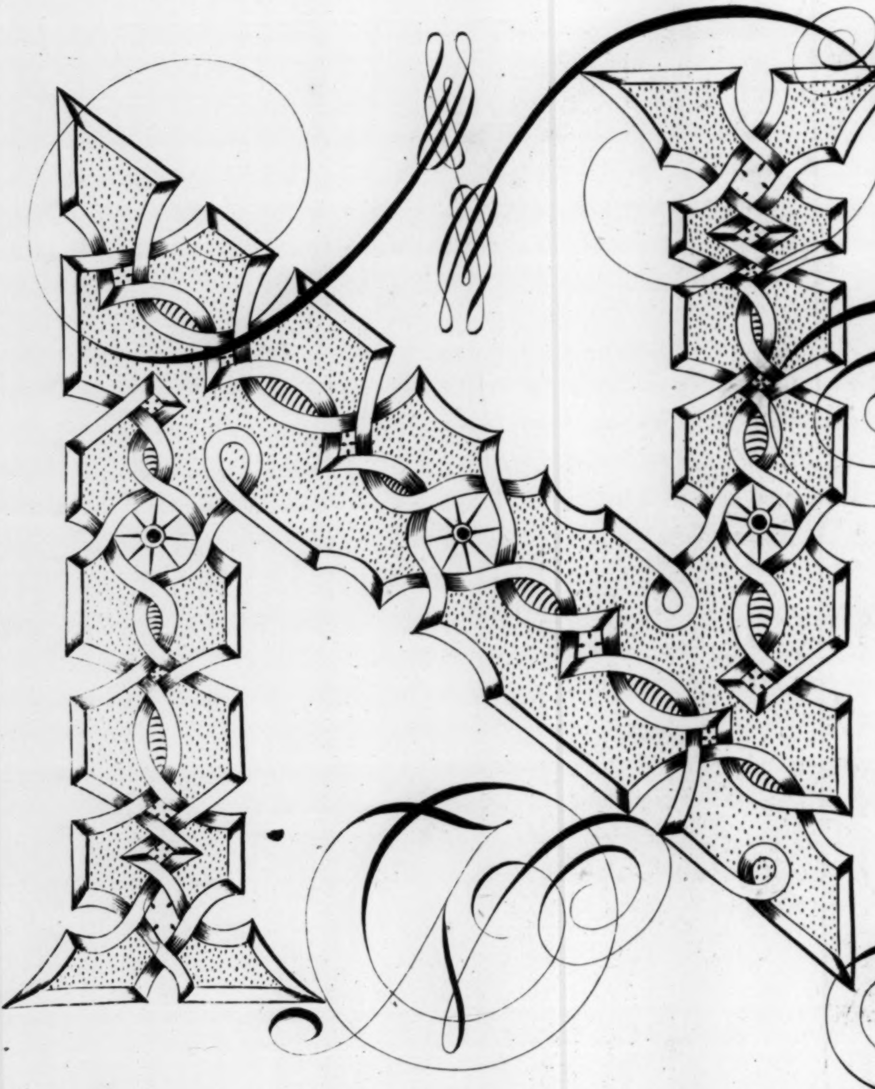
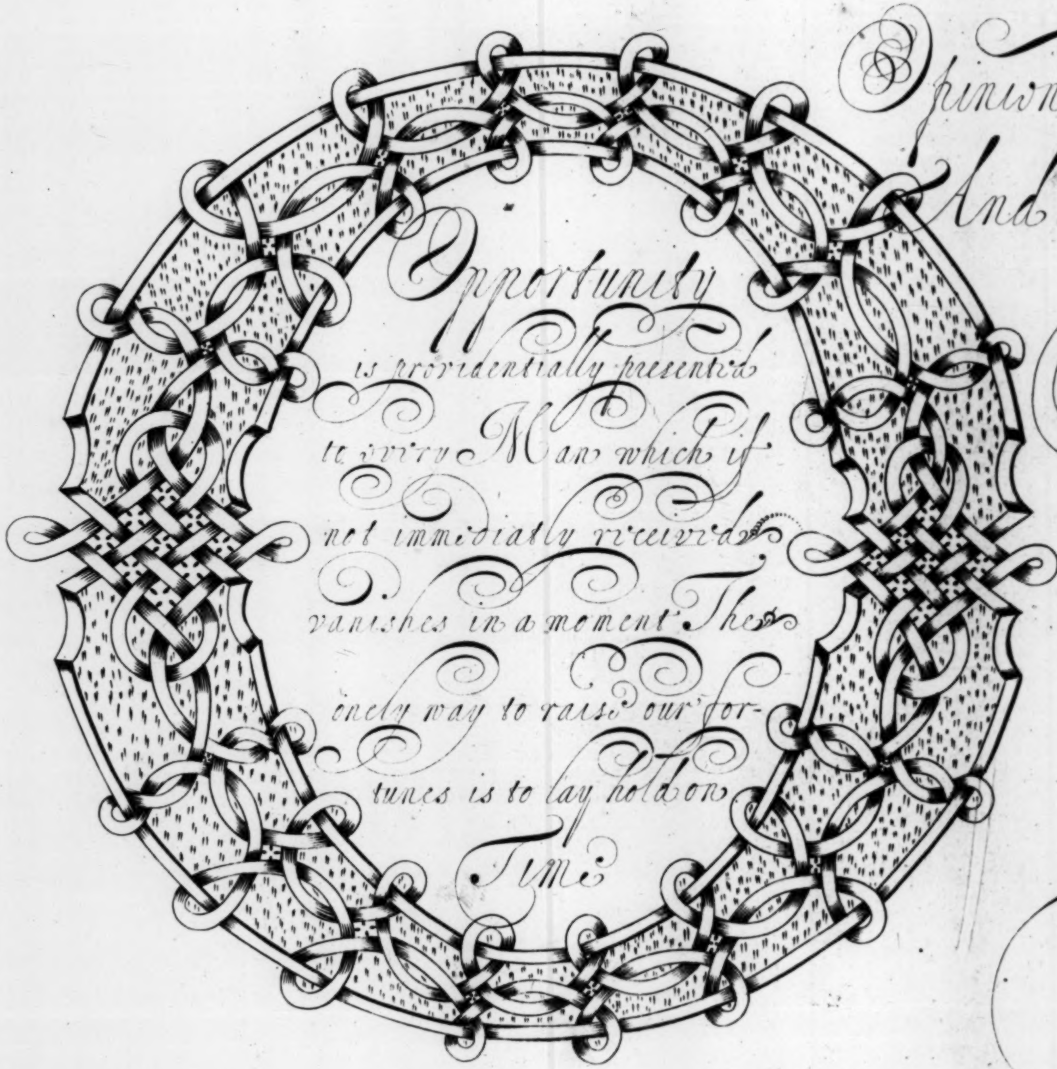


Ne flanting Praiſe nor flowr'd Encomiums prize
The moſt deſerving are moſt humbly wize

Never undertake any baſe or unwarrantable Action. Hate nothing but what is diſhoneſt. Fear nothing but what is ſordid or ignoble. And love nothing but what is very juſt and honourable.

Now bend your mind fair Writing to attain
Your preſent pains will prove your future gain



Opportunity
is providentially presented
to every Man which if
not immediatly received
vanishes in a moment The
onely way to raise our for-
tunes is to lay hold on
Time

Opinions guide our paſsions & affections
And all our fancies follow her direction;

Observe those Rules & measures whereby you may beſt preserve your Reputation if that be once loſt you are like a Cancelled Writing of noe use nor vallue.

Thy Credit wary keep, tis quickly gone
Being gott by many Actions loſt by one

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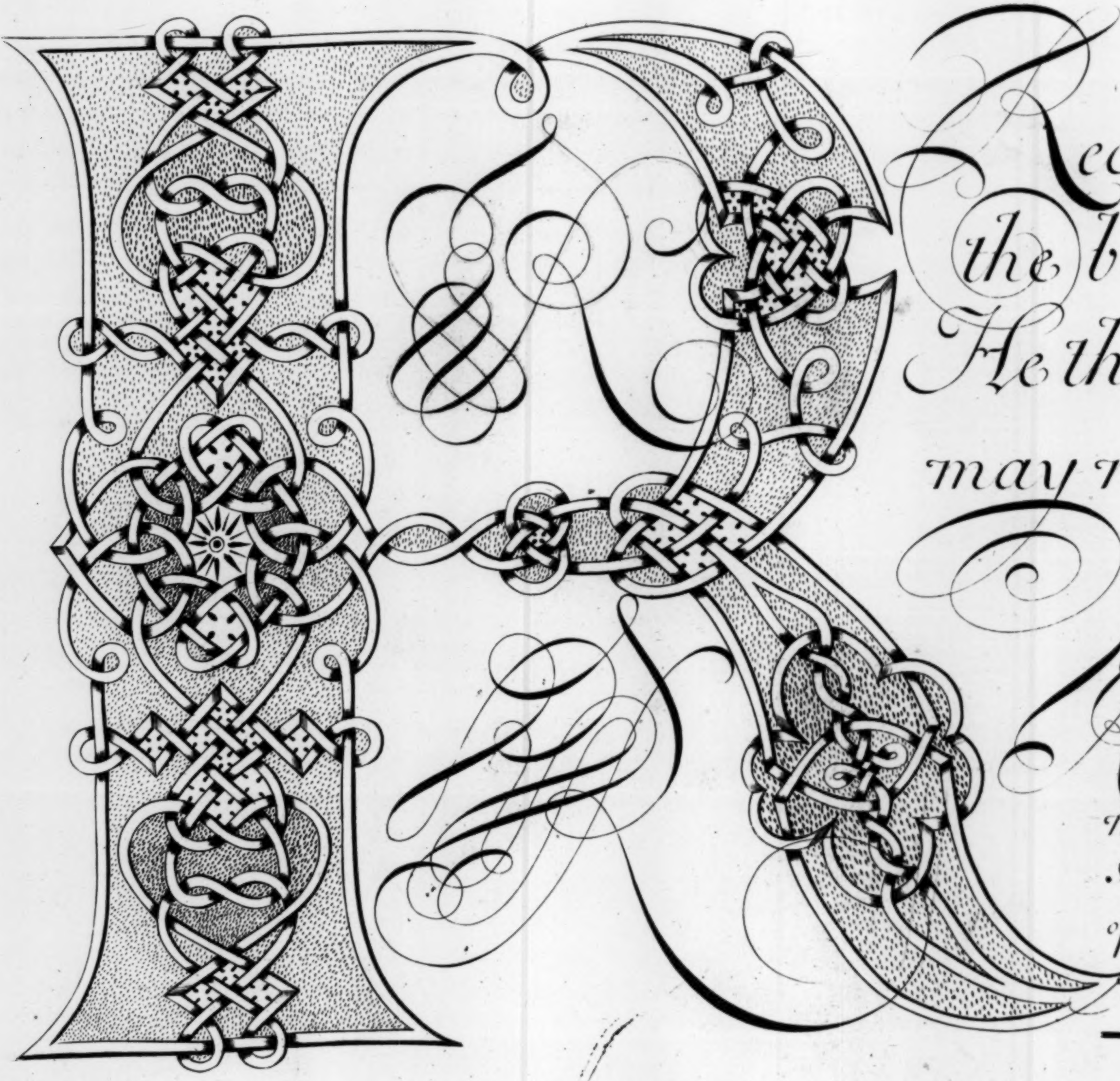
Poverty

is for the moſt part but a Creature of the Phanſie being Imagined and Feared where it really is not. For he is not pooreſt that poſſeſſeth leaſt but he that wanteth most.

Quiet the troubles of thy mind,
Diſturb'd by Croſſes, doubts, & fears
With thoughts of heaven wch thou ſhalt find
Will pay for all thy sighs and teares
Tis but a while & ſuffering saints ſhal be
With glory crown'd to all Eternity.



Reckon your Age from
the birth of your Vertue
He that lives viciously
may write beaſt but not
Man

W. Elder sculpsit

Religion is the stay of the Weake, the Maſter of the Ignorant, the Philosophy of the Simple, the Oratory of the Devout, the Remedy of Sinne, the Counsel of the just, and the Comfort of the troubled. Aabcddeſfghiklmnopqrſstuvwxyz

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Serve God and keep his Com
mandements for that is the true
Wiſdome which will at laſt
crowne your Endeavoures
with Eternall Happineſs

The Rich Man lives happily so long as he useth his Riches temperately And the poor man who patiently endureth his want is Rich enough

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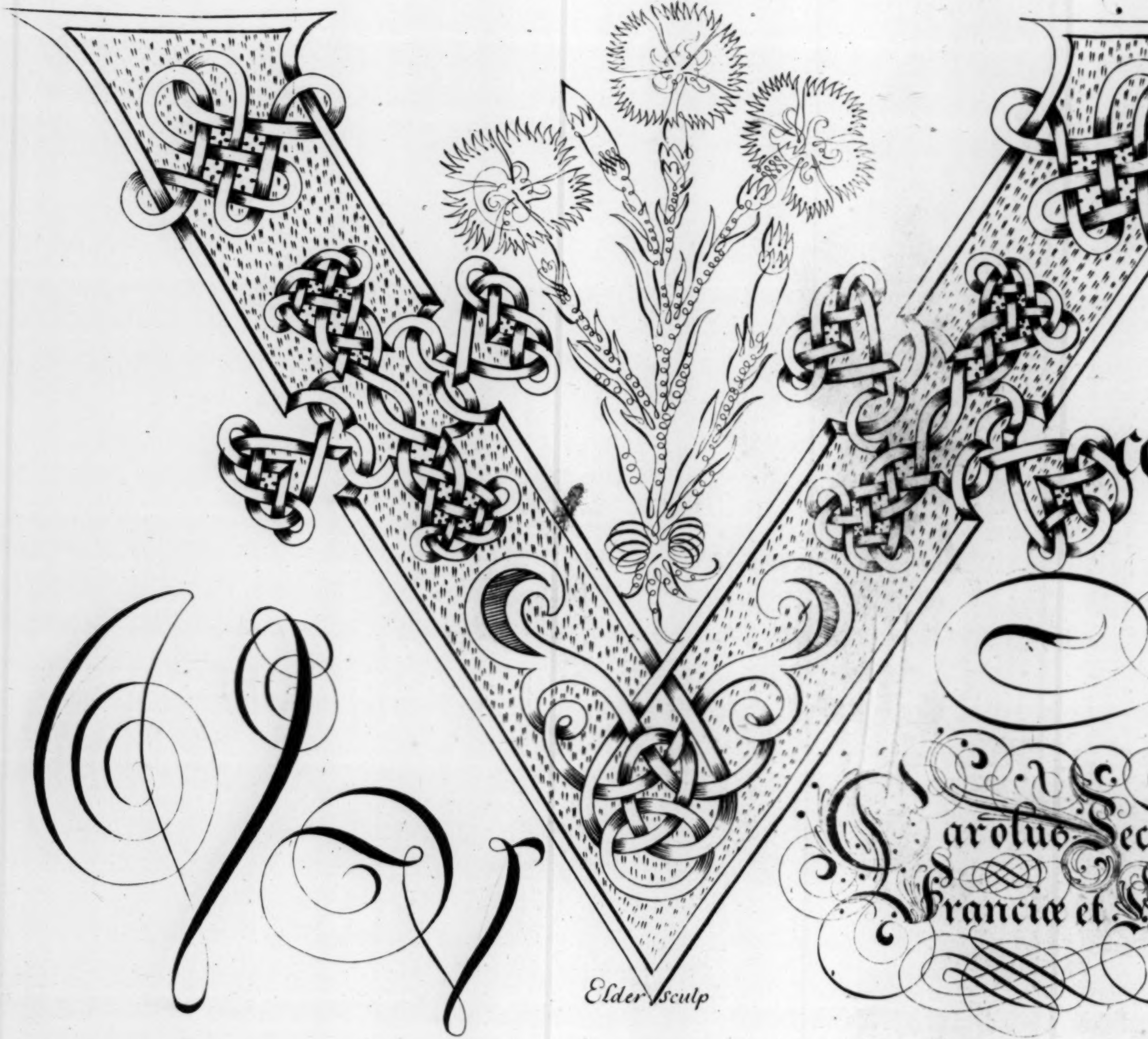

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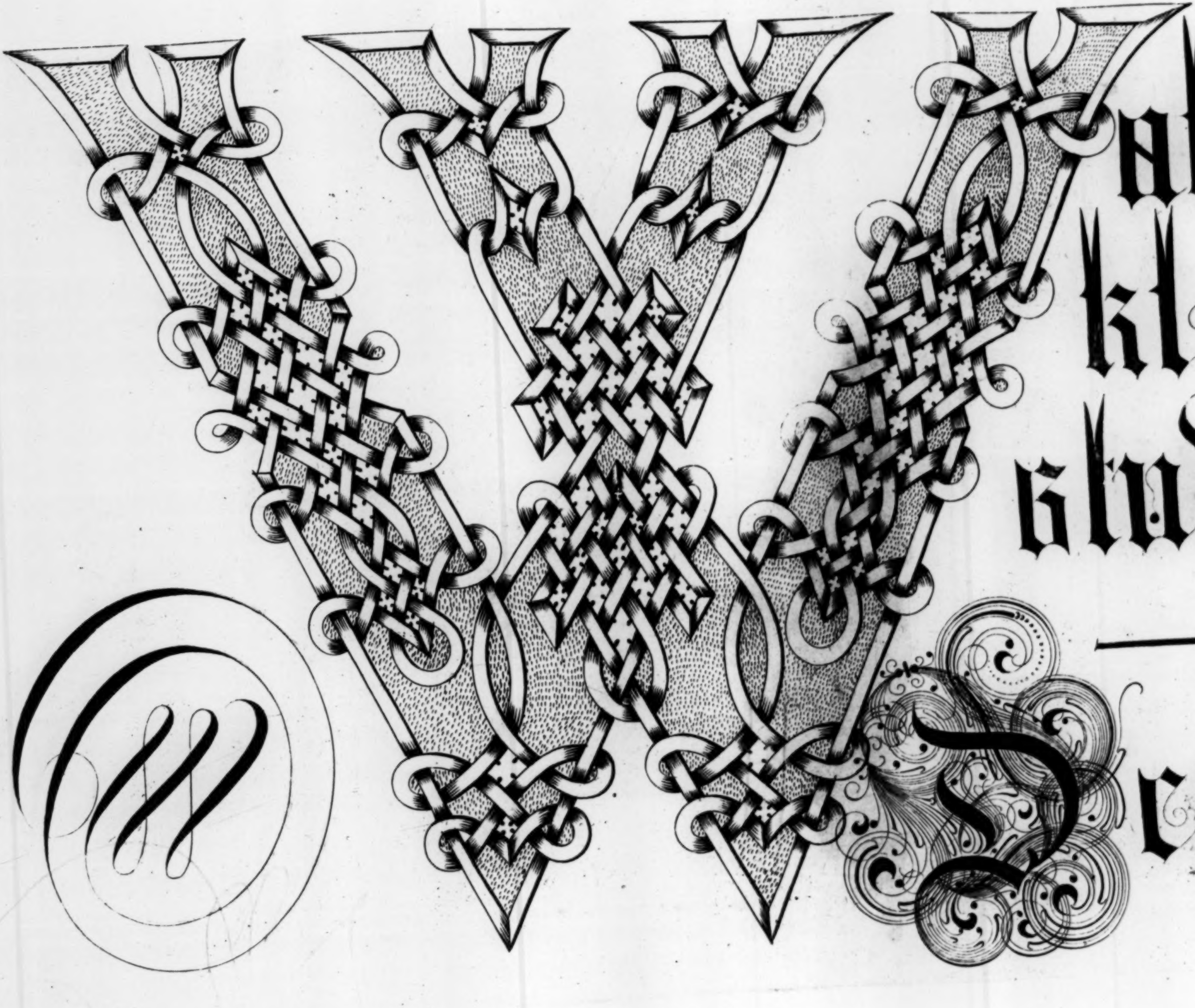
Vertue is yͤ queen
of labourers opinion
the mistress of fools and
contention the overthrow
of families

Carolus Secundus Dei Gratia Angliæ Scotiæ
Franciæ et Hiberniæ Rex Fidei Defensor &c



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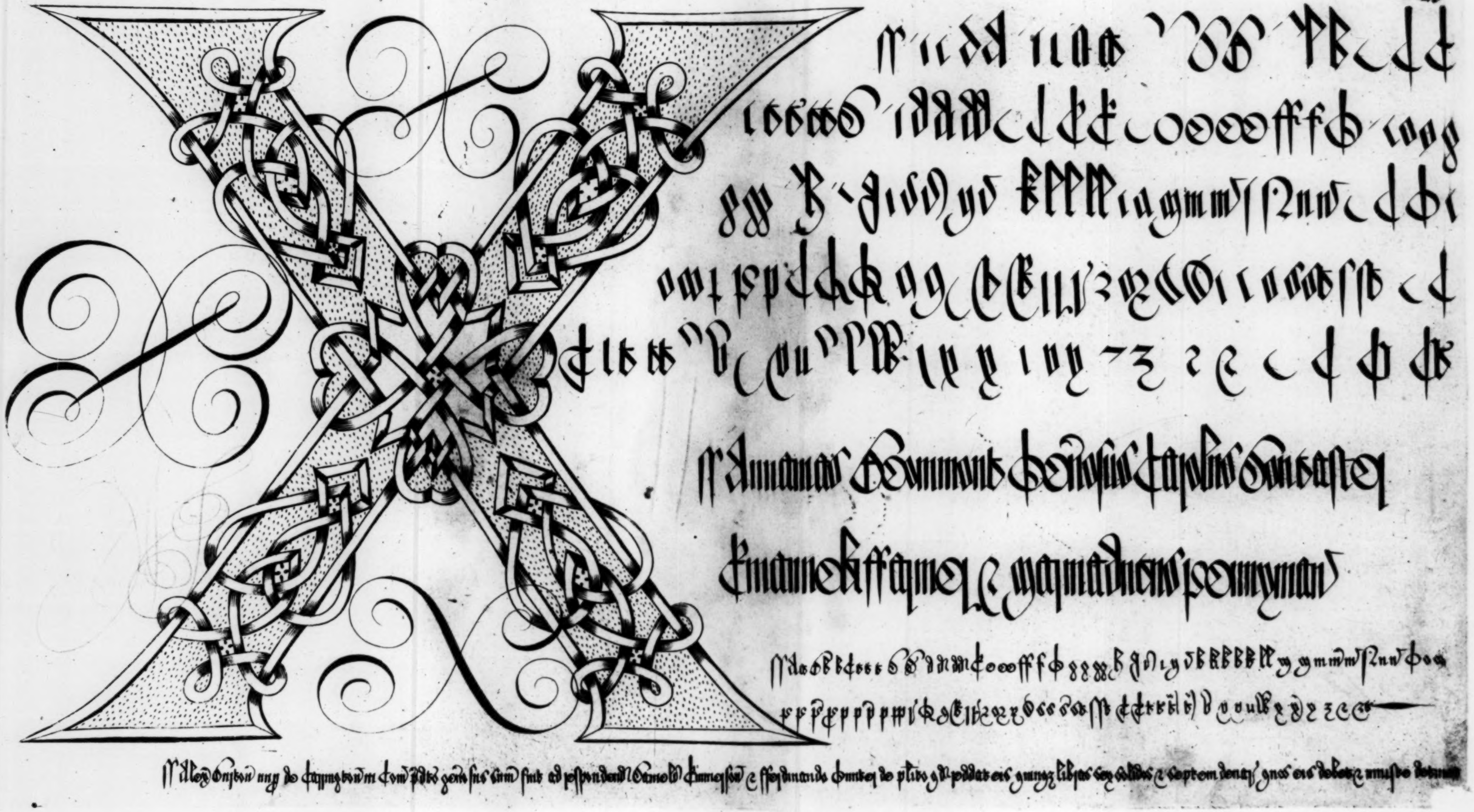

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Note that in Writeing Chancery hand It is usuall to make many Abreviations in Words and to Write them short as for Example Ar̄ Armiger bre breve dcūs dictus. extᵃ extra ğtis gratis omibȝ omnibus & et ꝑ per ꝓ pro ꝑ̄ pre hui̅ huius hem̄ habemus &c.

The Set Chancery

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Omnibus ad quos preſentes Literæ pervenerint salutem Sciatis quod Nos de gratia noſtra speciali ac ex certa scientia et mero motu noſtris Dedimus et Conceſſimus Ac per preſentes pro nobis heredibus et Succeſſoribus noſtris Damus et Concedimus

Abbreviations Aſſignatt Aſſignattis
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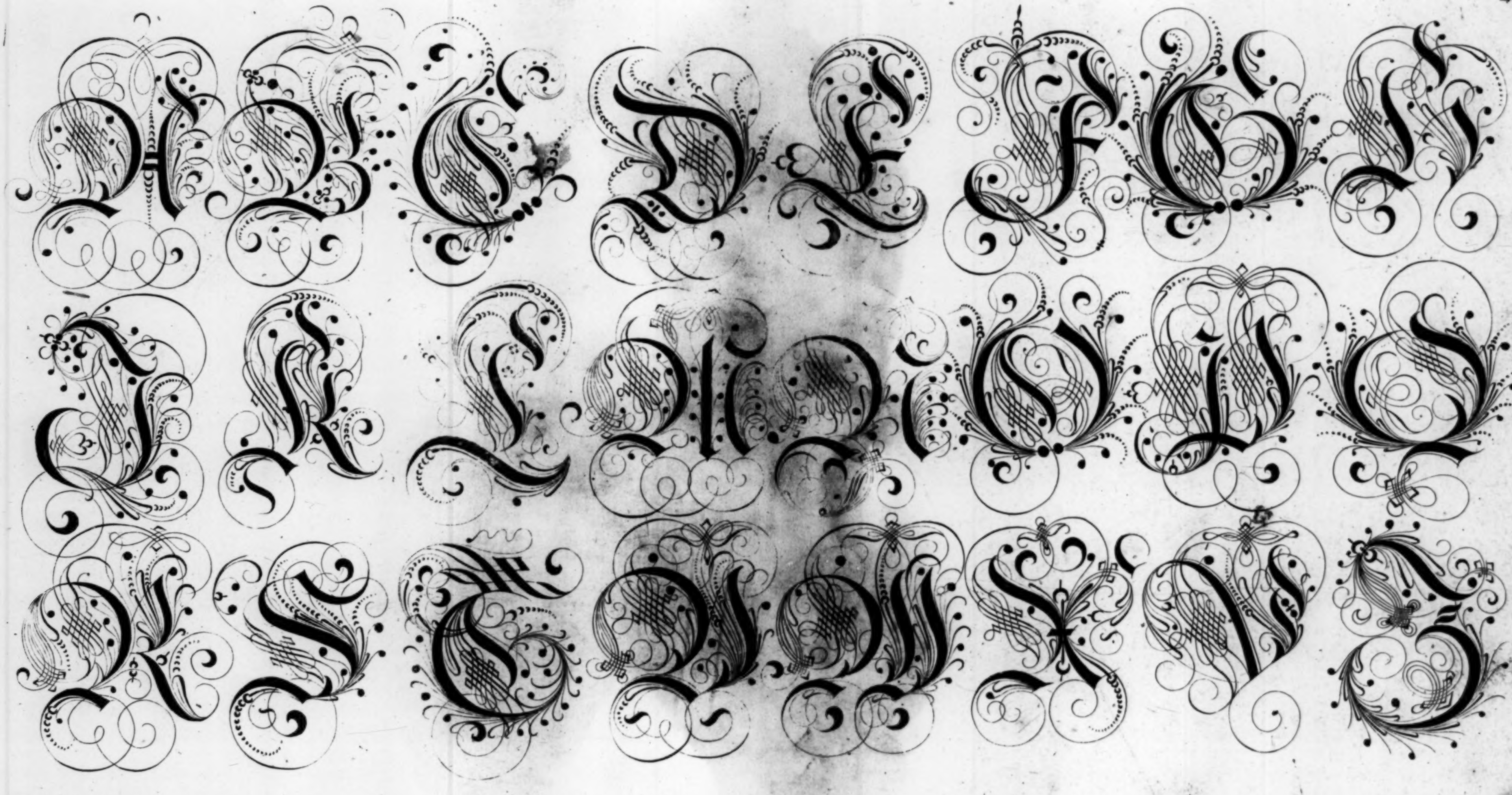
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Perhaps some may [illegible] ing these,
Turn back to whe[illegible] please
To try if they can be the same.

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